



# RevUp



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## News you can use

**More lanes for Green Street Gate**  
Traffic lanes crossing the rail-road tracks at Green Street and Ga. Highway 247 have recently been repainted, creating three lanes as drivers approach Robins' Green Street Gate. Drivers should be aware that the far left lane is for left turns only and the two right lanes are for traffic crossing Ga. Highway 247.

— From staff reports

**78th MSG COC ceremony set for Thursday**  
Col. Silvia Signars Anderson, 78th Mission Support Group commander, will relinquish command to Col. Allen J. Benefield at 8 a.m. Thursday at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar.

— From staff reports

**Base Assistance office closed today**

The Legal Assistance Office in Building 215 will be closed today.

— From staff reports

**Board accepting packages from pilots, flight engineers**

AETC and AFSOC Initial Cadre Selection Board will be accepting packages until June 15 for pilots and flight engineers. Two pilots will be assigned to Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) New River and 10 instructor flight engineers/eight instructor pilots will be assigned to Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M. In addition, AFSOC will select up to four pilots for assignment to Kirtland, with a follow on to Hurlburt Field, Fla., at the completion of training. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Shondrell Ameri at 327-7344 or Master Sgt. John Petain at 327-7343.

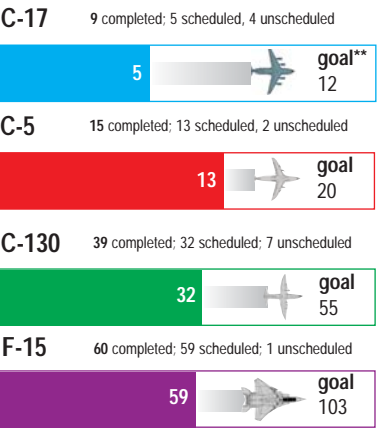
— From staff reports

**You've got mail – for the duration of your AF career**

WASHINGTON – The Air Force began the first phase of a new e-mail system May 6 that will enhance communication of Airmen worldwide. AF eMail (aka eMail-for-Life) is a single, static e-mail address that will not change during the career of an Airman or Air Force civilian employee.

— Air Force Print News service

**Aircraft Maintenance Output**  
The information below reflects Robins' progress toward maintenance goals for fiscal 2005 as of May 10.



\*\*Goal is for scheduled maintenance on-time delivery only; unscheduled aircraft don't count toward fiscal year goals.  
Source: Doug Clark Jr., depot maintenance workload analyst, 402nd Maintenance Wing  
U.S. Air Force graphic by Angela Trunzo

## Partners against crime



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Senior Airman Amber Sherrod, 78th Security Forces Squadron, takes a fingerprint for Matthew Powers, 3, for Operation Save-a-Child, a joint effort by the 78th Medical Group and 78th SFS. **Turn to page 1B for coverage of National Police Week events.**

## Organization plans way to remember POWs, MIAs at aviation museum

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An organization created to honor prisoners of war and military members who are missing in action is creating a memorial to remember them. The POW/MIA Memorial Organization, founded by a group of enlisted military members at Robins in 1996, developed the idea for the memorial in the late 1990s and is now working to fund the project. The memorial, which includes a bronze eagle and U.S. flag surrounded by sever-

### What to know

The POW/MIA Memorial Organization is creating a memorial at the Museum of Aviation to recognize POWs and MIAs. The memorial will be located behind the museum's Eagle Building. For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Melanie Moore at 926-7919.

al granite pillars as well as a running waterfall, will symbolize the courage of POWs  
Please see **MUSEUM, 2A**



Courtesy illustration

The POW/MIA Memorial Organization proposed this new monument intended for the Museum of Aviation.

## 19th ARG ready to do what's best for Air Force

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### What to know

Last week's announcement that Robins escaped the Department of Defense's initial list of recommendations for Base Realignment and Closure has Middle Georgia heaving a collective sigh of relief and one Robins unit looking at a future hundreds of miles away. Since 1968 the 19th Air Refueling Group has called Robins Air Force Base home, but with the recent recommendations the group known as the Black Knights is recommended to transfer to McConnell Air Force Base, Kan., in fiscal 2009. Col. Steve Bernard, 19th Air Refueling Group com-

mander, said the group is set to do what is best for the Air Force. "The 19th has had a long and wonderful relationship with the local community here, so I guarantee it will be hard

Please see **READY, 2A**

## Trial set for Monday for sergeant accused in murder-for-hire

78th Air Base Public Affairs

The court-martial trial for a Robins sergeant accused in a murder-for-hire scheme is set for May 23. The trial is expected to take place on base. Staff Sgt. Matthew W. Gladue, 51st Combat Communications Squadron, is charged with criminal conspiracy to commit murder, solicitation to commit murder and obstruction of justice. The trial was originally set for January, but Lt. Col. Donald Plude, U.S. Air Force Eastern Judicial Circuit, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington D.C., granted a delay to consider and rule upon defense pre-trial motions. Sergeant Gladue and his wife, Jessica, were arrested Oct. 13 by the Houston County Sheriff's Department. They are accused with attempting to hire a hit man to kill a witness who indicated Sergeant Gladue threatened the lives of two squadron co-workers. Along with the conspiracy

and solicitation charges, the Air Force is charging Sergeant Gladue with wrongfully transporting and possessing a firearm on base in his vehicle and attempting to hire someone to plant illegal drugs in the automobile of the witness.

The Air Force charges against Sergeant Gladue carry a maximum penalty of life imprisonment. Sergeant Gladue allegedly told a co-worker on several occasions between October 2003 and July 2004



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## Civilian's conviction highlights Robins' effective fight against sexual assault

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While the recent sexual assault conviction of a Robins civilian employee reinforces the base's contempt for and lack of tolerance toward such crimes, base leaders hope it also serves as a deterrent to future offenses. Dee Dial, 78th Air Base Wing's chief of labor law and federal litigation, said the

offender, a first level supervisor in the 402nd Maintenance Wing here, was convicted of assault against a female subordinate in Macon Federal District Court April 26. The conviction, which came after a day-and-a-half trial, carries a maximum penalty of six months imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine. Sentencing is set for June. Adding yet another mark in the win column against sexual

### To get help

If you are a victim of sexual assault you can call the family advocacy office at 327-8398. assault here, Ms. Dial said this is not an issue she takes lightly. "We have charged four individuals in the past year and a half with assaults of a sexual nature and of those four, all led

to convictions," she said. The base's no-nonsense approach to dealing with sexual assault should send a message to would be offenders. "I wish it would serve as a message for others to keep their hands to themselves, but I don't know," said the civilian prosecutor. "I can say this though, you are paid to come to work to work. Anyone who assumes that a person wants a relationship with them should

assume if that is truly the case, that they are willing to do so off duty." She added that, there is a fine line between sending out non-offensive "feelers" for a relationship and sexual harassment. "I suggest that personal issues be discussed outside the work area," she said. "I would also point out that every one of

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U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp  
Col. Steven W. Bernard, 19th ARG commander, responds to BRAC news May 13.

## READY

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personally to do, but the needs of the Air Force come first,” he said. “When you look to use the taxpayers’ dollars as well as you can, it makes sense on the force structure the way they are trying to reassign all of the KC-135s in the active duty, Guard and Reserve. So the 19th has loved its time here in Middle Georgia, and we will continue to have a great relationship as long as we are here.”

The commander said his is a great organization that takes care of each other.

“We didn’t know until 10:30 Friday morning when and where we were going,” he said. “We are all good soldiers and Airmen, and we will go where the needs of the Air Force tell us to go.”

He said he has been able to meet with his group to let them know what the plan is.

Col. Greg Patterson, 78th Air Base Wing commander, called the Black Knights an integral part of Robins.

“The 19th has been a very valuable part of Team Robins, and it is sad that they are leaving. But they are going to go off and do their mission at McConnell Air Force Base,” he said.

Colonel Patterson said the move did not come as a surprise because the decision to move the

group was announced in 2003 as a part of an Air Force force structure study.

“They had been projected to leave in 2011,” he said.

There will be a net gain of 749 positions including a major increase in the size of the Defense Logistics Agency operations at Robins.

The departure of the 19th ARG is only half of the story for Robins. The recommendations also call for the arrival of United States Marine Corps Reserve helicopters from Naval Air Station Atlanta and the relocation of the 202nd Engineering Installation Squadron of the Georgia Air National Guard from Middle Georgia Regional Airport.

Colonel Patterson said that the Secretary of Defense’s BRAC recommendations demonstrate that Robins remains a valuable installation to the Air Force and the DoD and is an integral part of the transformation of our armed forces

“I would like to remind everyone that our people are our first priority,” he said. “Although, at first glance, it appears that the overall impact is small when compared to the overall size of this base, I want to assure you that we are going to ensure that every affected member of Team Robins will be provided the best opportunities to continue their vital contributions to our nation’s defense.”

## MUSEUM

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and MIAs, along with the tears and pain felt for those who lost their lives fighting for freedom.

Tech. Sgt. Melanie Moore, POW/MIA Memorial Organization president, said the project, which is currently more than 60 percent funded, will serve as a symbolic reminder of those who have given up so much in the name of freedom.

“I think this will have a great impact on the community,” she said. “There is a big military

population here and there are over 600,000 visitors each year at the Museum of Aviation, so anyone state-wide or nation-wide could see this memorial.”

Tech. Sgt. Kim Hunter, unit deployment manager for the 51st Combat Communications Squadron, who served as the organization’s president from 2001-2003 and who now serves on the organization’s board of directors, agreed.

“I think it’s going to bring (about) the awareness of our POWs/MIAs in the local area and give them a sense of ownership when they visit the

memorial and think about their loved ones locally and those missing.”

Sergeant Moore said the organization hopes construction of the display, which will be located behind the museum’s Eagle Building, will begin by late June.

Carol Smits, a retired chief master sergeant who served as the command chief of the Air Force Reserve Command from 1995-1999, and currently serves as one of four board of directors’ members for the POW/MIA Memorial Organization, said the memorial will

pay homage to those who are not forgotten by their families and fellow military members.

“For the community, it will be an opportunity for all veterans, as well as those who have family who have served, to take a moment and remember all of those who have fallen and given their lives for our freedom.”

Construction of the memorial, co-designed by Jim Balletto, art director for the Museum of Aviation, Jerry Clineman, and several military members, is expected to be complete within the next year.

## FIGHT

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our convicted offenders was married, and I am not aware of any federal regulations that encourage adulterous relationships at work, even if they are consensual – which these were not.”

Col. Greg Patterson, 78th Air Base Wing commander, agreed.

“This most recent conviction is just another example of how we are doing everything we can to fight this type of behavior,” said the commander. “Sexual assault will not be tolerated at Robins Air Force Base – if you commit the offense you will be dealt with severely.”

Ms. Dial said the crime of sexual assault is not always easy to prove, but her impressions of the accusers have been her guide.

“I have believed all of the accusers,” she said. “I wouldn’t go to court if I didn’t. My standard in criminal cases is (guilt) beyond a reasonable doubt, but there has been no doubt in my mind.”

At the end of the day she said it’s hard to be happy about a conviction because it’s such an unpleasant thing, but it’s a great relief.

“Because I believe the victims, I want

everyone to believe them,” she said. “I know how much they have inside riding on the outcome of the trial, and that’s a big burden for me because I feel such an obligation to them.”

Mary Hodgkins, family advocacy officer, also feels a great obligation to the victims and said the Robins Family Advocacy Center is there for them.

“Sexual assault is so damaging to the victim,” she said. “They really suffer substantially and are often re-victimized through questioning and not enough support from other agencies.

“We want to make sure victims have the resources to take care of themselves and to make sure the people who commit these crimes are held accountable.”

The center is available to military members and their families as well as civilian employees who have been victims of sexual assault or who know of someone who has been a victim.

Ms. Hodgkins said victims are assigned a volunteer who serves as their victim support liaison.

The role of the victim support liaison is to provide support to the victim throughout the process. They will provide day-to-day assistance throughout the initial response, investigative, legal and recovery process until the

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78th Air Base Wing commander

victim is on the path to restored health and well-being.

“The victim support liaison is there to listen to them, to provide support and to make sure they’re aware of resources available to them,” she said. “The Air Force is making a tremendous investment into victim support; for example, a sexual assault coordinator will be placed here in a few months.”

## TRIAL

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of his intent to kill two squadron supervisors, according to the charges preferred by Sergeant Gladue’s squadron commander.

The firearm charge alleges Sergeant Gladue violated a law-

ful order by the base commander by bringing a 9 mm semi-automatic pistol onto the base in his vehicle between April and July of 2004. Mrs. Gladue pleaded guilty in December in Houston County Superior Court to criminal solicitation of murder. She was sentenced to one year in jail and four years on probation.

# Former Center commander discusses issues facing ALCs

The third annual Georgia International Lean Symposium May 3-5 offered the opportunity to share ideas on Lean, the systematic approach to eliminating waste in industrial and manufacturing processes, and offered a chance for the government to show how the process is helping better support the war fighter.

Last week Lt. Gen. Richard Reynolds, Air Force Materiel Command vice commander, shared his views on meeting customer expectations, quality of life and other issues facing today's air logistics centers.

This week former Center commander Lt. Gen. Donald Wetekam, who now serves as deputy chief of staff for installations and logistics, in Washington D.C., discusses his views.



Lt. Gen. Donald Wetekam is the former Center commander.

**Q. From your perspective, are we getting better at meeting our customer expectations? If not, what suggestions would you have to meet those expectations?**

A. I think we are clearly getting better at meeting customer expectations. I think that's perceived from the customers and across the Air Force. Statistically, we use a lot of stuff to measure that. Look at due date performance for the ALCs. It has gone from down around 60 percent a few years ago to 92 percent last year and 99 percent this year. General (Gregory S.) Martin (AFMC commander) tells that story with a lot of pride, as he should.

Clearly all of the ALCs have stepped up to the plate. Robins is coming right along with the other two, and it's nice to see all of the ALCs doing so well. So, it's the perception, and an accurate perception, that the ALCs are meeting the customer's expectations. The perception people had about the ALCs, whether right or wrong, are changing tremendously to the positive.

**Q. In your position as**

**deputy chief of staff for installations and logistics how are the ALCs doing in support of the war fighter?**

A. The customer is the war fighter, so when we talk about getting aircraft and equipment produced on time and to the war fighter efficiently and effectively we are doing that.

It's also true in terms of cost because that matters to the war fighter as well because they have to pay for the services. And for the Air Force to keep the ALCs going, we need to see a return on investment on what we spend at the ALCs. We're getting that return on investment and that is the important point.

In years past the ALCs often failed to make financial goals. That has not been the case in the last two years. In fact they are far exceeding their financial goals which is really encouraging to see for all of us.

**Q. Quality of Life issues?**

A. Quality of life is an important issue not just for the ALCs, but for the entire United States Air Force. It's a source of great pride to me to know that we are perceived as

the service that does this best. I don't think that the ALCs are any different from any other Air Force installation in that regard other than that they are larger, and we have quality of life issues for a large part of our civil service work force that aren't necessarily an issue at other smaller bases. I think there are always a lot of challenges in this area. There's always more we ought to be doing and want to do. But, given the level of funding we're able to secure right now I think we're doing very well. So, I'm proud to say I am a member of the United States Air Force particularly in regards to quality of life issues.

**Q. Combat readiness and productivity?**

A. Productivity is another area of improvement. I know this is kind of a pattern here that I come to town and all I want to say is good news stuff, but the truth is you have to put all these in context of where we were, where we are today and where are we going. Productivity has improved almost across the board signif-

icantly. When I speak to audiences inside and outside the Air Force, I talk about productivity. One of the examples I use is the C-5 productivity and the improvements that have taken place over the last few years – 40 percent improvement over the last few years. That's huge. I tell that story and I am happy to tell it to other audiences outside of the Middle Georgia region.

**Q. From your perspective, what Lean/CPI initiative has made the biggest impact (if any) on due date performance at the ALCs?**

A.It's hard for me to pick a specific initiative. I think the impact of Lean is not individual initiatives, obviously some pay back more than others, but it's the collective change or shift in people's mind sets about what's possible when they participate in different process improvement events. What we find is the more events they participate in, the more improved their perception of their organization and likewise the more they see is possible to improve. So that's where you get the real benefit.

**Q. What do you think are the most significant issues the Air Force logistics community faces in the next few years?**

A.We have a number of them, but the one I spend a lot of time on is aging equipment. I say equipment because it's not just aircraft; it's everything we operate. It's our vehicles; it's our support equipment; it's all of those things that are getting older and older.

For example, in the aircraft arena when I came into the Air Force the average age of our fleet across the entire Air Force was about nine years. Today the average age of the fleet is 23 years. No one has ever operated large fleets of aircraft that are this old and this large.

For example, we have over 500 KC-135s that are on average 43 years of age. No one in the history of the aviation has ever operated a 500 aircraft fleet that even approached that average age, so we are into uncharted territory.

That's a huge challenge for us and how we handle that will largely determine how effective the United States Air Force is going to be in the future.

## New environmental, safety office helps 402nd Maintenance Wing mission be green, safe

**By Holly L. Birchfield**  
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A new office is helping workers in the 402nd Maintenance Wing meet safety and environmental standards while meeting mission needs.

The Environmental Safety Compliance Office (QPE), a nine-person team that gives maintenance workers a single source for environmental, safety and occupational health issues, is part of an on-going initiative that started in recent months to identify and proactively address such needs in the work areas.

Linda Larson, 402nd Maintenance

Wing lead environmental protection specialist, said the office hopes to bring about an increased safety and environmental awareness.

“The office was established to address compliance and pollution prevention initiatives for the entire maintenance wing and make sure we're in compliance with environmental laws and regulations,” she said. “We're also making sure we're meeting all safety requirements. We're identifying ways we can put safety and environmental issues in the forefront of people's minds.”

Roger Hayes, lead safety specialist with the 402nd Maintenance Wing, said

meeting such needs helps decrease risks and increase mission capability.

“When you reduce environmental burdens (like) hazardous material usage, air emission controls, etc., you are also reducing the safety hazards and occupational health risks for our people,” he said. “Environmental, safety and occupational health assessments go hand-in-hand. By working together, we reduce the production impact on our shops.”

QPE team leaders, including environmental engineers, environmental and safety specialists and an ergonomics professional, hope to make environmental management, safety and health

considerations an integral part of wing policies, operations, planning and management.

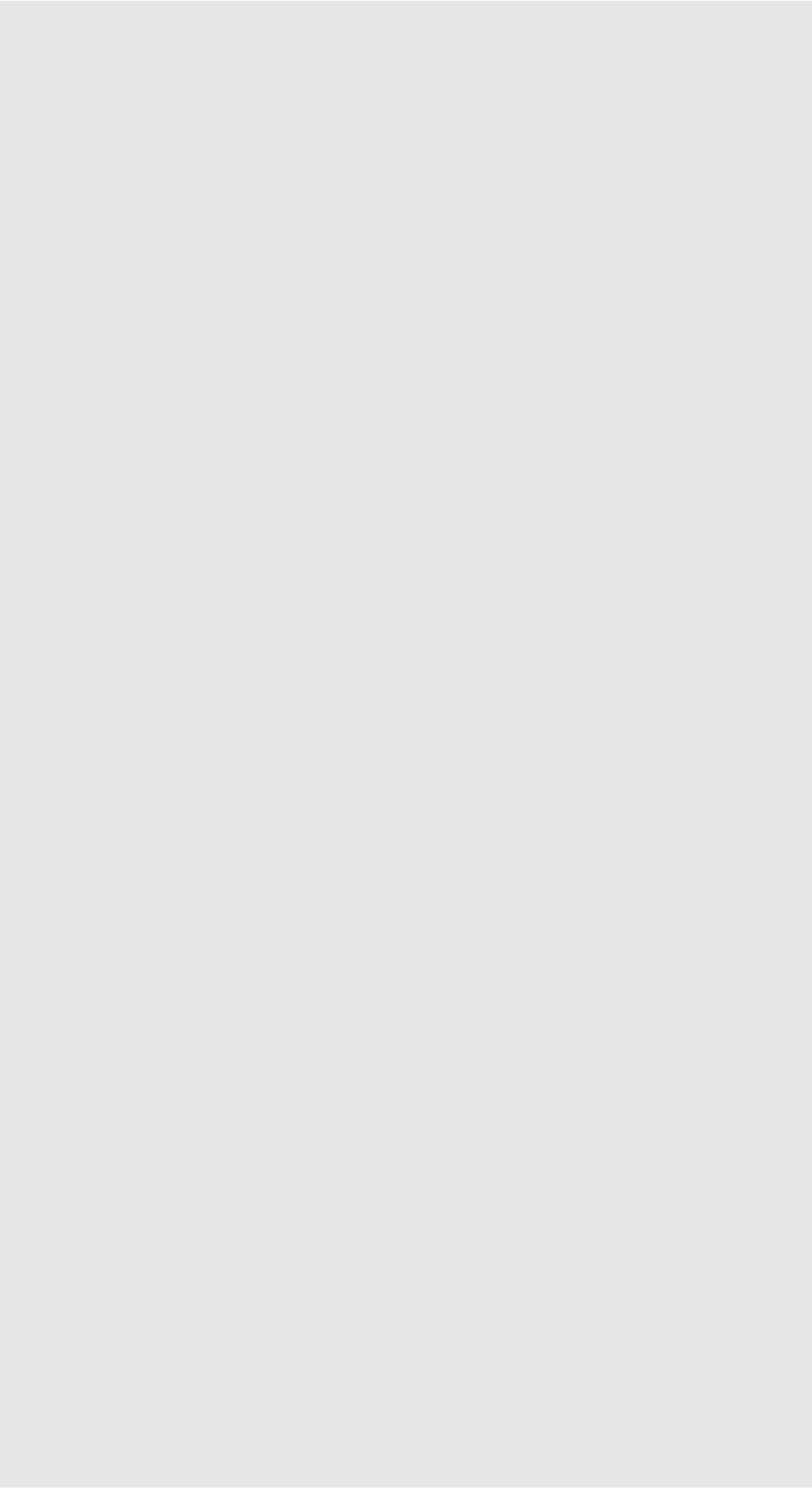
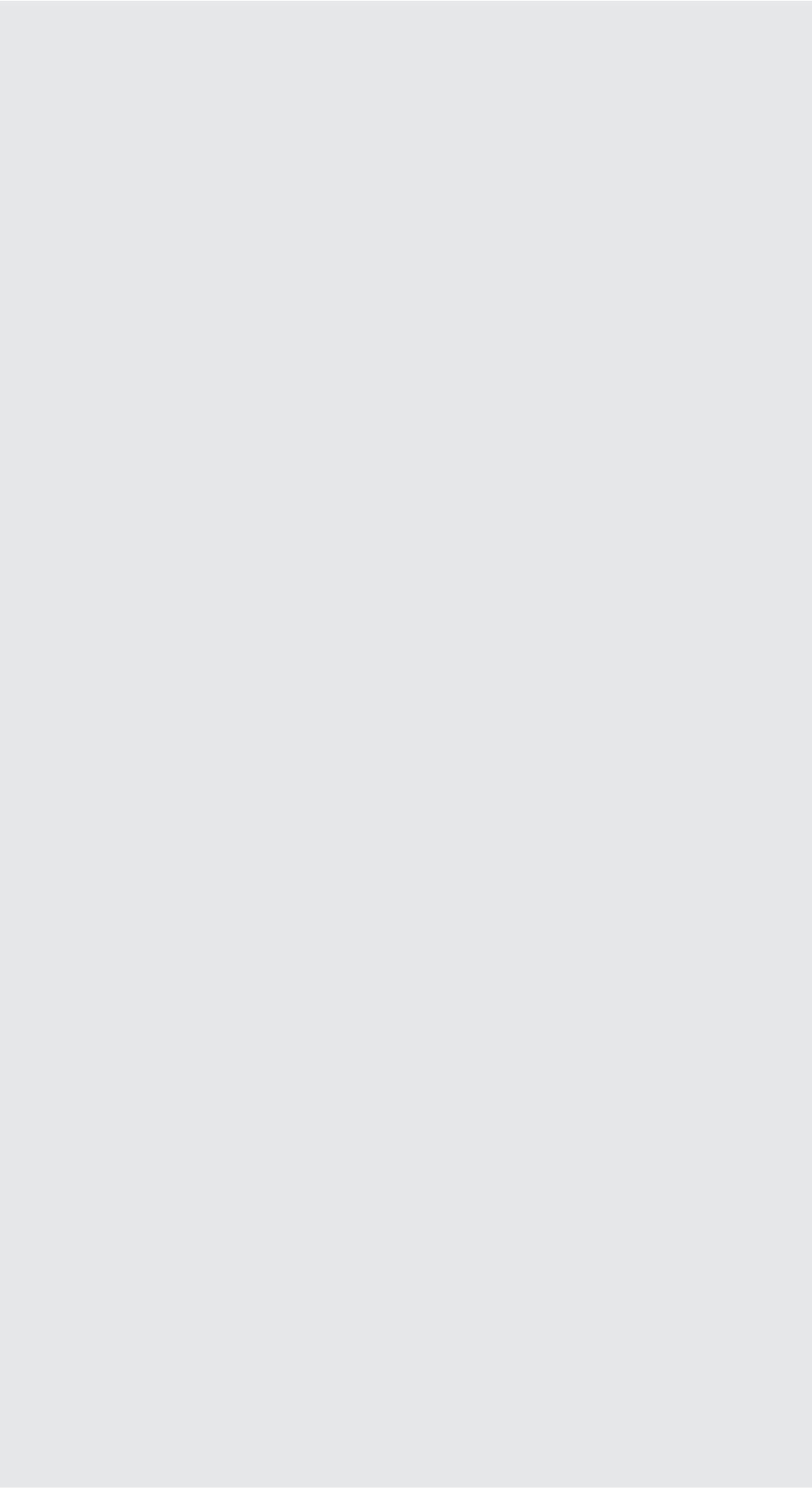
According to Becky Mitchell, an environmental specialist with QPE, the office has about 20 projects, estimated at \$5 million, currently underway to address environmental, safety and occupational health risk management and prevention.

“We have projects programmed out through 2010 and are currently looking for new opportunities.”

Richard Slife, QPE chief, said his office strives to take care of people and the environment while taking care of mission needs.

“Our goal is to ensure that the tasks that are being performed have a minimal impact to our people and the environment, so we are able to sustain the mission throughout the wing, well into the future,” he said. “Our ESOH team is focusing on identifying and proactively managing environmental, safety and health issues that potentially hinder mission accomplishments. It's all about (the) mission, environment and community.”

*Editor's note: Linda Larson, lead environmental protection specialist with the 402nd Maintenance Wing, contributed to this article.*





# Air Force officials send Armed Forces Day message



**Gen. John P. Jumper** is the Air Force Chief of Staff.

**Michael L. Dominguez** is the Secretary of the Air Force.

WASHINGTON (AFPN) – *The following is an Armed Forces Day message from Acting Secretary of the Air Force Michael L. Dominguez and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper:*

“In the first presidential proclamation for Armed Forces Day in 1950, President Truman said the day ‘marks the first combined demonstration by America’s defense team of its progress ... towards the goal of readiness for any eventuality.’

“The theme of that first Armed Forces Day was ‘Teamed for Defense,’ expressing the new unification of all the military forces under a single department of the government – the Department of Defense.

“Through more than five decades our military members – Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines – have teamed with our civilian partners to build the greatest military in the world. This joint team is ‘Teamed for Defense’ like never before and America’s Airmen are seamlessly integral to our joint force.

“More than 25,000 Airmen – active

duty, Guard and Reserve – are deployed supporting operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world. On the ground, in the air and from space, Airmen bring overwhelming air and space power to bear for the joint team, for our nation, and for our allies in the war on terrorism.

“On the ground, our battlefield Airmen serve alongside infantry and special operations units, directly integrating air and space power. Airmen from 16 different combat support skills are driving trucks, providing convoy security, guarding prisoners and interrogating detainees. Airmen have refocused C-130 Hercules and C-17 Globemaster III airlift missions to reduce the number of convoys on Iraqi roads by nearly 350 trucks a day.

“In space, we’re maintaining the continuous flow of communications, surveillance, precision navigation and targeting for the joint team. At home, we continue flying more than 6,200 sorties annually, ensuring the security of our sky.

“Airmen are also providing security and stability operations on the Korean

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peninsula and counterterrorism support in the Horn of Africa. Following the tragic south Asian tsunami, Airmen flew more than 15 million pounds of food, supplies and equipment into the area.

“On this Armed Forces Day, America pays homage to our military men and women who have served and are serving our country so nobly on many fronts. Our Airmen and their

families are extraordinarily committed to a cause much greater than themselves.

“If you wear the uniform of the United States military, be proud. You have earned the respect of a grateful nation. Thank you for your sacrifice, devotion and courage.

“We are honored to serve with you. May God bless each of you, your families and our great nation.”

## Workers at Robins effectively protect hearing against industrial noise

**By Lt. Col. Angela Williamson, BSC**  
Hearing Conservation Program manager

For more than 75 years, May has been designated “Better Speech and Hearing Month”. Professionals in the area of audiology and speech-language pathology educate the public about better communication and the need to protect and preserve hearing and speech.

At Robins, there is a prominent focus on the prevention of hearing loss for those who are exposed to industrial noise. Hearing loss

from occupational noise sources is the second most common cause of hearing loss in the U.S.

The most common cause of hearing loss is simply a result of the body growing older. We know there is nothing to prevent the effects of aging, but we know there is a tremendous amount we can do to prevent occupational hearing loss. Using well-fitting ear plugs and/or ear muffs when working around noise or participating in noisy hobbies will greatly lower your chances of suffering hearing loss or tinnitus (ringing in the ears).

For more than 35 years at Robins, the Hearing Conservation Program has worked to educate employees about the dangers of noise exposure, and to provide effective, comfortable hearing protection for those who are exposed to noise on a routine basis.

At this time, there are more than 6,000 workers at Robins who are exposed to more than 85 decibels of noise. The National Institutes of Occupational Safety and Health and the Department of Defense say this level can damage hearing without protection.

The Audiology Clinic in Building 207 is staffed by a licensed audiologist and several certified hearing conservation technicians who test, educate and advise about hearing related issues.

In April, Significant Threshold Shift statistics were released by the Air Force Hearing Conservation Data Registry at Brooks City-Base, Texas, that reflects the number of military members and civilians who had suffered a significant change in their hearing. The statistics proved what we in the Robins Audiology Clinic already suspected: Robins employees are saving

their hearing. When looking at rates of hearing loss for civilians working for the Air Force, our employees are ranked No. 2 for having the least amount of hearing shift during 2004. When we look at rates for military members, Robins is ranked No. 8 for least amount of hearing shift.

At Robins, the rate for civilian hearing change is 4 percent, and for military the rate is 2.6 percent. Those are both well below the Air Force-wide average of 6.26 percent. Rates for commercial industry are not available. These numbers indicate our employees at Robins are dili-

gently working to protect their valuable sense of hearing by using their hearing protection every time, every day.

All of us in the Audiology Clinic in the Occupational Health Section commend our workers and their supervisors who consistently ensure that the proper hearing protection is being used.

We only get one set of ears, and all the noise exposure of a lifetime can add up to hearing loss in our later years.

Prevent hearing loss by using ear protection around noise on and off duty. You and your family will be glad you did.

### Commander's Action Line

**Col. Greg Patterson**  
Commander,  
78th Air Base Wing



*Action Line is an open door program for Robins Air Force Base personnel to ask questions, make suggestions or give kudos to make Robins a better place to work and live.*

*Please remember that the most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the organization responsible. This gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve their processes.*

*To contact the Action Line, call 926-2886 day or night, or for quickest response e-mail to one of the following addresses: If sending from a military e-*

*mail system select, Robins Commanders Action Line from the Global Address List. If sending from a commercial e-mail account (AOL, AT+T, CompuServe, Earthlink, etc.), use action.line@robins.af.mil.*

*Readers can also access Action Line by visiting the Robins AFB homepage at https://www.mil.robins.af.mil/actionline.htm. Please include your name and a way of reaching you so we can provide a direct response.*

*Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Rev-Up. Anonymous Action Lines will not be processed.*

Security Forces.....	327-3445
Services Division.....	926-5491
EEO Office.....	926-2131
MEO.....	926-6608
Employee Relations...	926-5802
Military Pay.....	926-3777
IDEA.....	926-2536
Base hospital.....	327-7850
Civil engineering.....	926-5657
Public Affairs.....	926-2137
Safety Office.....	926-6271
Fraud, Waste and Abuse hotline.....	926-2393
Housing Office.....	926-3776

### Light poles with flags

Ever since the sink hole was repaired on Robins Parkway several of the light poles in that area have remained dark. They each have an American flag attached to them. Please have the lights repaired or have the American flags taken down prior to sunset until they are repaired. Thank you.

**Commander's reply:** Thanks for bringing this oversight to my attention. The flags have been removed and will be replaced no later

than June 1 when the guard rails have been reinstalled and the lights have been rewired. Civil Engineering intentionally delayed rewiring of the lights to avoid the possibility of wiring cuts during replacement of the guard rails. However, as you point out, the flags should have been removed until the work was accomplished.

### Traffic sign

It appears that the intersection of Page Road and Byron Street is

lacking any traffic control sign. If one exists, it is certainly not very obvious. A stop sign at the end of Byron Street would likely be most appropriate.

**Commander's reply:** Thank you very much for your concern for traffic safety at Robins. A single stop sign has now been placed on the northwest corner of Page Road and Byron Street. This new stop sign will serve as an adequate traffic control device at this intersection.



*From May 9 to 15, one member of Robins Air Force Base received non-judicial punishment under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.*

■ An airman first class was drinking underage and possessed alcohol in the dormitory. **Punishment:** a suspended reduction to airman, 14 days extra duty.

*There were two administrative discharges under the rapid airman discharge program for this time period.*

■ An airman first class was administratively discharged for

minor disciplinary infractions. Member received a general discharge.

■ A staff sergeant was administratively discharged in lieu of court-martial for wrong-

ful use of cocaine. Member received an under other than honorable conditions discharge.

– 78th Air Base Wing  
Legal Office

## Remember to slow down

There have been

249

speeding tickets issued  
calendar year to date.

### How the points add up

Accumulating 12 traffic violation points within a year may cause drivers to lose base driving privileges for up to 6 months. Speeding violation points are based on the number of miles over the posted speed limit.

10 miles = 3 points
11 - 15 miles = 4 points
16 - 20 miles = 5 points
21+ miles = 6 points

Source: AFI 31-204



**Airmen Against Drunk Drivers** is a 24-hour-service that provides rides to those who have consumed alcohol and need transportation home.

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**To request a ride, call: 335-5218, 335-5238 and 335-5236.**

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## Camellia Garden Memorial Service to honor 44

**By Chrissy Zdrakas**  
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Forty-four departed military and civilian members of the Robins family will be memorialized Thursday at the 29th annual Camellia Gardens Memorial Service.

The service will be at 10 a.m. in the garden across from the Officers’ Club. If it rains, the ceremony will be held at the Base Chapel. Col. Greg Patterson, installation commander, will host the event. Maj. Bill Burrell is the attending chaplain, and Maj. Gen. Mike Collings is the keynote speaker.

The names of the honorees for 2005 will be added to the gold plaques on the garden’s memorial wall. Those to be memorialized are:

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‘Click It or Ticket’

### Security forces to issue traffic citations to seat belt violators

**By Staff Sgt. Stephanie M. McCleskey**

78th Security Forces Squadron

For anyone who still thinks they’re exempt from the seat belt law, this message is for you: Security forces will issue citations Monday through June 5 to people not wearing a seat belt.

In 2002, motor vehicle crashes took the lives of 1,785 child passengers from infant to 15 years old and injured some 227,000 more. Fifty percent of them were not wearing seat belts. The same year, 4,350 teens, ages 16 to19 died in traffic crashes and 320,000 more were injured.

Georgia had 30 deaths among children from infant to 15; 87 fatalities among teens ages 16 to 19, and 477 fatalities among adults ages 20 and above. All of those who died were not wearing a seat belt. Child safety seats,

when properly installed, reduce the risk of death by 71 percent for infants and 54 percent for toddlers. In 2002, among children younger than 5 years old, an estimated 376 lives were saved by child restraint use.

Thanks to the continued dedication of law enforcement and stepped-up enforcement campaigns like “Click It or Ticket,” the national seat belt use rate has risen to 79 percent, exceeding the national goal of 78 percent.

However, the seat belt saves lives message is not understood or taken seriously universally. Fifty-nine million Americans still don’t buckle up, and traffic accidents are one of the leading causes of death in the U.S.

Officials agree one of the most important, immediate actions the nation can take to protect children and adults in motor vehicles is high-visibility enforcement of seat belt and

child passenger safety laws.

People know they should buckle up. Despite this awareness, research shows that many are not taking the necessary steps to protect themselves and their children on every ride.

Since stepped-up seat belt campaigns began, child fatalities have dropped by more than 20 percent, child restraint use for infants under 12 months has gone up from 85 percent to 99 percent and restraint use among toddlers ages 1 to 4 has jumped from 60 to 94 percent. Adult seat belt use rose from 62 to 79 percent – the highest use rate ever – with more than 50 million Americans buckling up.

This year, nearly 8,000 adults and children will die in crashes because they failed to buckle their seat belts.

If you won’t buckle up to save your life, then buckle up to save yourself a ticket.

Services troops head out



U.S. Air Force photo by Linda Hinkle

Eight 78th Services Division troops deployed May 11 for a four month deployment to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. Ten 78th Services Division troops left April 27. Above, from left, Col. Silvia Anderson, 78th Mission Support Group commander, smiles as Tech. Sgt. Willie Andino, Master Sgt. Douglas Guyton, Tech. Sgt. Kaluunda Taylor, Tech. Sgt. Alexis Turner, Staff Sgt. Wadkey Valcin and Tech. Sgt. Kenya Payne prepare to board a bus.

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**Aerospace Toastmasters Club** 3368 meets the second and fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the PK conference room, Building 300. For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. Robert E. Hall at 497-2946 or Brenda Smith at 222-1710.

**Air Force Cadet Officer Mentor Action Program** (AFCOMAP) Middle Georgia Chapter meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Daedalian Room of the Officers’ Club.

**Dixie Crow Chapter of the Association of Old Crows**, a professional Electronic Combat organization, meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 11:45 a.m. in the atrium of the Officers’ Club. For more information, contact Julie Vick at 926-2264 or Wes Heidenreich at 929-4441.

**Middle Georgia Chapter of the Military Officers' Association of America** meets the second Friday of every month at 6 p.m. at the Officers' Club, except for December when the chapter meets the second Wednesday. Come on out and socialize with your fellow officers and enjoy a meal and program. For more information, contact Bill Goodwin at 929-3362.

*Editor’s Note: Information is provided by club members. To have your club or group’s information included or updated, submit it to Angela Trunzo at angela.trunzo@robins.af.mil.*

78th Security Forces Squadron safety tips: Handgun safety for families

Whether you are a collector, a hunter or a gun control advocate, you need to ensure your family’s safety by talking with your child about the potential dangers of guns.

Eddie Eagle, a program of the National Rifle Association, teaches parents to tell their children to stop, don’t touch, leave the area and tell an adult if they find a gun.

Parents should always follow these guidelines to ensure a safe home environment: Take the ammunition out of the gun, lock the gun and keep it out of reach of children. Lock the ammunition and store it apart from the gun. Store the keys for the gun and ammunition in a different area from where you store household keys. Keep keys out of reach of children and lock up gun-cleaning supplies, which are often poisonous.

– Staff Sgt. Jonathan M. Kennedy



## To serve and protect

### National Police Week honors men, women who put their life on the line

By Lanorris Askew

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During a solemn ceremony honoring their fallen brothers in arms, the 78th Security Forces Squadron opened National Police Week 2005 with a special candlelight vigil at the Base Chapel May 13.

The memorial service honored Georgia law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty in the past year and included a 21 gun salute, a bagpipe tribute, a sabre team, and an officers' roll call.

Maj. Charles A. Moose of the Washington D.C. Air National Guard and former Montgomery County, Md, police chief who was the lead investigator in the Washington D.C. Beltway Sniper investigation was the keynote speaker.

Major Moose spoke of cultures where the names of the dead are not spoken as a way to move on and as a way of making it through the next day.

"It's a strange tradition," he said. "And I am so very pleased that here, we do speak the names of the dead as an honor and a tradition. We speak the names of the dead to honor and remember them as they were — wonderful and loving peers, loved ones, spouses and parents.

"Today we repeat the names of those who have given all in the hopes that they will never be forgotten," he said. "Tell the stories of their deeds and keep them alive."

Robert Mikell, Governor's Office of Highway Safety assistant director, was also a guest speaker. Local chiefs, sheriffs, directors of law enforcement agencies from Middle Georgia and family and community members were also in attendance.

Staff Sgt. Michael Middleton, 78th Security Forces Honor Guard member, said it was an honor to be part of it all.

"There are really no words to describe the feeling of taking part in a ceremony like this," he said. "They protect us when we leave this base every day, and we protect them overseas when we leave in support of our nation. It's our honor and a privilege to be able to go out and honor them and their sacrifice."

The officers represented in the audience appreciate the effort.

Maj. Harry Dennard of the Warner Robins Police Department said he is



**Maj. Charles A. Moose,** former Montgomery County, Md, police chief and lead investigator in the Washington D.C. Beltway Sniper case, speaks at the the candlelight vigil May 13.



**Robert Mikell,** Governor's Office of Highway Safety assistant director, offers remarks at the candlelight vigil May 13.



Levi Bertrand, 6, gets to sit in the driver's seat of a Georgia State Patrol car with Trooper 1st Class John Hardage at the National Police Week exhibit at the Base Exchange Saturday.

U.S. Air Force photos by Sue Sapp



Honor Guard members fold the flag during a retreat ceremony for Peace Officer Memorial Day in front of Building 215 Sunday.

U.S. Air Force photo by Ray Crayton

grateful the base honors fallen police officers.

"These guys are truly heroes," he said. "They paid the ultimate sacrifice."

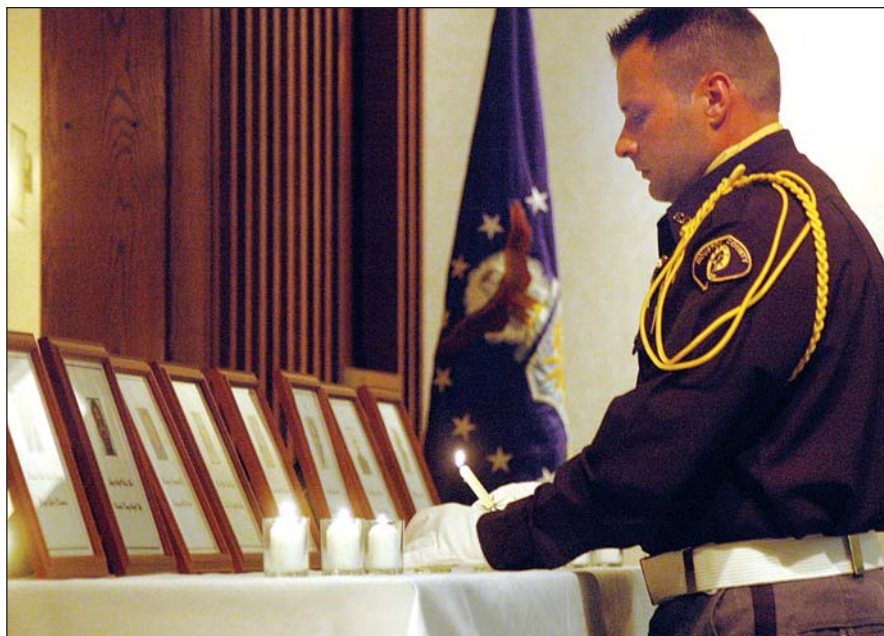
Centerville Police Chief Ernie Pardo agreed.

"I appreciate the fact that the base has taken time to recognize our fallen heroes just as we honor theirs," he said.

In addition to the vigil, the 78th Security Forces Squadron also held other events to celebrate Police Week.

Staff Sgt. Stephanie McCleskey, point of contact for the week's events, said this is the third annual police week celebration here, and she is happy to be a part of it.

"Our law enforcement community has very strong ties with the local law enforcement community, and it's important for the two to work together and for the people not in the law enforcement community to understand more about what we do and the



Above, Deputy Patrick Alexander, Houston County Sheriff's Department, lights a candle in memory of Patrolman Christopher Lee Ruse at the Candlelight Vigil May 13. Right, Kala Washington, 5, gives McGruff the crime dog a hug at the National Police Week exhibit at the Base Exchange Saturday.

types of things we go through," she said.

Sergeant McCleskey said she hopes they did well in honoring all law enforcement officers, and she hopes everyone takes away a positive message.

"For the families of the fallen officers I hope we also did well in honoring their family members," she said. "And for the spectators who are not affiliated with the law enforcement community or who have never attended events such as this I hope it helps them to understand what law enforcement goes through when they go to work and what their families go through and know us a little better. It's important for people to know what their peace officers go through and what they are doing for them."

The other events included a Retreat Ceremony Sunday where the squadron's honor guard conducted an



**Staff Sgt. Stephanie McCleskey** is the point of contact for police week events.



#### What to know

A law signed into effect by President John F. Kennedy in 1962 designates May 15 of each year as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of the officers who have given their lives in the line of duty. The calendar week in which May 15 falls is National Police Week in recognition of the service given by the men and women who selflessly put their lives in harms way everyday.

official flag-folding ceremony with members from local law enforcement agencies; a National Police Week Exhibit at the Base Exchange Saturday, where military and civilian law enforcement vehicles and equipment were on display; and today's firearms match at the Warner Robins Police Department.

Officer Steve Warmack, Warner Robins Police Department, talks with Karen and Ryan Weaver about the Gang Resistance Education and Training program, which offers kids positive alternatives to gangs.





ROBINS BULLETIN BOARD

To have an item listed in the bulletin board, send it to Angela Trunzo at angela.trunzo@robins.af.mil by 4 p.m. Monday prior to the Friday of intended publication.

**Warner Robins Blue Star Salute**  
Warner Robins Blue Star Salute, a ceremony and picnic for military families, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Museum of Aviation amphitheater. Musical entertainment will be provided by Ray Knighton & Wanelle Collins and Phoenix. Bring your lawn chairs. For more information, call 971-1290.

SERVICES BRIEFS

**Enlisted Club**  
World Wrestling Entertainment Judgement Day will be aired at the club Sunday at 8 p.m. Cost is free to members and \$5 for guests.

Go to www.robins.af.mil/services and click on the Bingo icon to take the Bingo survey. Take a copy of the survey to one of the Enlisted Club's Bingo nights, Thursday through May 31, to receive a free 3-On Pack. Survey ends Wednesday. For more information, call 926-4515.

**Family Child Care**  
Individuals living in base housing who provide care for children, other than their own, more than 10 hours a week on a regular basis must be licensed. Anyone who provides care on a regular basis and is not licensed, contact Vera Keasley, Family Child Care coordinator, at 926-6741 to start the licensing process. Individuals who fail

**Health Care Consumer's Advisory Council**  
Col. Richard G. Griffith, 78th Medical Group commander, will host the quarterly 78th MDG Health Care Consumer's Advisory Council meeting Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Base Chapel Annex. Everyone is invited to attend this open forum which will provide first hand information about current medical processes and future endeavors. Commanders, first sergeants, command champions, enlisted, officers, civilians, and all others with MDG concerns or positive feedback are encouraged to

come out and be a part of this informative meeting. For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Denise Roberts at 327-8374.

**78th ABW Enlisted Promotion Ceremony**  
Col. Greg Patterson, 78th Air Base Wing commander, will host the monthly 78th ABW Enlisted Promotion Ceremony May 31, 3:30 p.m., at the Base Theater. Those being recognized will be notified by their respective first sergeants. Commanders, supervisors, family members and friends are encour-

aged to attend. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Sharon Ward at 926-0792.

**Health fair**  
There will be a health fair June 1, 8 a.m.- 4 p.m., and June 2, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar. Glucose and cholesterol screenings, sickle cell testing, glaucoma and blood pressure checks, eye exams, chair massages, and more will be offered at this event. For more information, call the Health and Wellness Center at 327-8480.

Enjoy dance lessons with Tom Martin Wednesday from 6 - 8 p.m.

A kids' night buffet will be held Thursday from 6 - 8:30 p.m.

**Pizza Depot**  
Pizza Depot's 17th birthday party and the 50th anniversary of the Rev-Up will be held June 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sample new pizza selections and other appetizers and have some birthday cake. Complete a survey for a chance to win prizes such as two tickets to Music Midtown, provided by radio station WEBL - FM 102.5 The Bull. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

**Smith Community Center**  
Family Night Bingo will be held Monday in the Smith Community Center ballroom. Doors open at 5 p.m., and games start at 6. Win camping, pool, sports equipment and outdoor games and more.

STARBASE ROBINS PROGRAM

■ **Creative E-books/May 31 - June 3**, for entering fifth and sixth graders: Students will learn how to integrate test, clipart, photographs, music and sound to produce their own e-books. Michael Montgomery, a published illustrator, and W. Leon McBride, who has conducted creative writing workshops, will visit. The cost is \$125 per student, which includes a T-shirt and CD of their story to share with friends and family.  
■ **Robotics I academy/June 6 - 10**, for entering seventh and eighth graders:

Students will learn the basics of robotics. There will be a robot rodeo and a field trip to a company that uses robotics. Participants will build a Moon-walker robot from OWI, Inc kit. The cost is \$200 per student, which includes a T-shirt and their personally built robot.  
■ **Robotics II academy/June 20 -24**, for entering seventh and eighth graders: Students will design and build robots with gears, sensors and motors using Lego Mindstorm activity sets.

Participants will learn how to create and download computer programs. The cost is \$200 per student, which includes a digital camera, T-shirt and a CD of their experience.  
■ **Multimedia academy/June 27 - 30**, for entering sixth through eighth graders: The program includes digital photography, Web page design and multi-media presentations. A field trip to WMAZ is planned. The cost is \$175 per student, which includes their personal Web page that can be loaded on their

computer, a digital camera and a T-shirt.  
■ **Rocket science academy/July 5 - 8**, for entering fifth and sixth graders: The academy includes the history of rocket science and building. The cost is \$125 per student, which includes their personally built rocket and a T-shirt.  
  
All programs are held at the Museum of Aviation in the Century of Flight hangar. For more information, visit www.starbaserobins.org or contact Martha Lockhart at 926-1769.

LEAVE/TRANSFER

The following person has been approved as a participant in the leave transfer program.  
  
**Patricia A. Yarbrough**, WRALC/LGMTA. Point

of contact is Charlotte Chastain at 926-3675. Employee-relations specialists at 926-5307 or 926-5802 have information and instructions concerning requests to receive or donate annual leave. To

have an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, directorates should send information to Angela Trunzo at angela.trunzo@robins.af.mil. Submissions run for two weeks.

MOVIE SCHEDULE

Adult tickets are \$3.50; children (11 years old and younger) tickets are \$2. For more information, call the Base Theater at 926-2919.

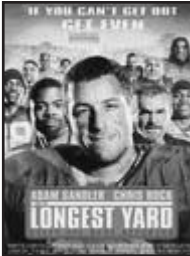
**Today 7:30 p.m. – Fever Pitch – Drew Barrymore and Jimmy Fallon**

When Lindsey meets funny and charming high school teacher Ben, they hit it off until she realizes he is a Red Sox fan. As baseball season proceeds, the obsessive nature of his hobby is revealed. Rated PG-13 (crude and sexual humor, and some sensuality) 107 minutes

**Saturday 7:30 p.m. – The Longest Yard - Adam Sandler and Chris Rock**

Free passes are available at any AAFES food outlets and Exchange checkout counters today. Seating is available on a first-come, first served basis. Pro quarterback Paul Crewe and former college champion and coach Nate Scarborough are doing time in the same prison. They are asked to put together a football team of inmates to take on the guards. Crewe enlists the help of Scarborough to coach the inmates to victory in a game "fixed" to turn out another way. Rated PG-13 (crude and sexual humor, violence, language and drug references)

**COMING SOON**  
**May 27 - Sahara** - Matthew McConaughey and Penelope Cruz  
**May 28 - King's Ransom** - Anthony Anderson and Leila Arcieri  
**June 3 - Amityville Horror** - Jimmy Bennett and Ryan Reynolds  
**June 4 - A Lot like Love** - Ashton Kutcher and Amanda Peet



CHAPEL SERVICES

**Catholic**  
Catholic masses are held at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 p.m., Sunday at 9:30 a.m., on Holy Days of Obligation at noon and at a 5 p.m. vigil the day before, and Monday through Friday at noon. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m.  
**Islamic**  
Islamic Friday Prayer (Jumuah) is Fridays at 2 p.m. in the chapel annex rooms 1 and 2.  
**Jewish**  
Jewish service is Fridays at 6:15 p.m. at the Macon synagogue.  
**Orthodox Christian**  
St. Innocent Orthodox Church service is at the chapel on the second Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m.  
**Protestant**

General services take place Sundays at 11 a.m. The service includes some traditional and contemporary worship styles in music and format. Protestant inspirational services take place Sundays at 8 a.m. Contemporary services take place 11 a.m. Sundays at the Base Theater. This service is informal and includes traditional and contemporary styles of music and worship. The chapel helps with spiritual needs that arise. For further information, call the chapel at 926-2821.

SPORTS BRIEFS

**Bowling Center**  
During league bowler's appreciation week, Monday-May 27, league bowlers pay \$3 for three games.  
  
A three-person scratch league team meeting will be held Thursday at 7 p.m. League will start June 2 for 12 weeks.  
  
A Summer Peterson Point league begins May 31 on Tuesdays. Teams will consist of three persons.

**Fitness Center**  
May Fitness Month continues with the following activities: America's Armed Forces Family Day Run, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., adult 5K at 8 a.m. and kids' run at 9 a.m. Saturday; equipment orientation 9 - 11 a.m. and 1 - 3 p.m. Monday; body fat measurements by appointment Tuesday; blood pressure screening from 11 a.m. - noon and chair massage from 1 - 2 p.m. Wednesday; Schwartz back screening at 11 a.m. Thursday; Seniors Dance-O- Rama from 10 - 11 a.m. May 27; kids yoga instructed by Rhonda from 10 - 11 a.m. May 28; food nutritionist seminar from 11 a.m. - noon May 31 and

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

Family Support Center sponsored classes, workshops, and seminars are open to all Team Robins personnel. For more information or to make a reservation, call 926-1256.  
  
**Job fair**  
The FSC and The Georgia Department of Labor will be hosting a job fair today, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar.  
  
**New beginnings**  
A "New Beginnings" (initial transition planning) workshop will be held Tuesday, 1 - 4 p.m., Building 905, Room 141. The workshop is for personnel and their spouses who are within 3-5 years of separation or retirement.

Sports Day starting at 9 a.m. June 3. Most activities will be held at the fitness center unless noted. Some activities require advance sign-up. For complete details and schedule of events, call the fitness center at 926-2128 or the Health and Wellness Center at 327-8480 or visit www.robins.af.mil/services.  
  
**Golf Course**  
A Seniors Club Championship tournament will be held June 25 and 26 with individual stroke play and net and gross divisions. Entry fee is \$30 for annual green fee players and \$60 for guests. This event is open to all active duty and retired military age 50 and older. To register, call 926-4103.  
  
A membership night barbecue dinner will be held today at 6 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person and includes games, prizes, chipping contest, putting contest and pro shop discounts.

Register now for the summer junior golf academy to be held May 31 through June 3. Cost is \$60 and includes four classes and weekly play days during the summer. Age groups consist of 7 - 8; 9 - 11; 12 - 14

**Bundles for babies & infant care**  
The Air Force Aid Society will conduct a "Bundles For Babies & Infant Care" class Wednesday, 8 a.m. - noon, Building 827, (old base gym) HAWC classroom. The course is for all active duty Air Force families preparing for a new baby.

**The spouse's connection**  
The Spouse's Connection will meet Wednesday, 9-11 a.m., in Building 945, FSC annex. Learn about the fun things there are to do in Middle Georgia and make some new friends.

**Applied suicide skills training**  
An Applied Suicide Skills Training class will be held Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.,

and 15 years and older. Class size is limited to the first 16 paid juniors. Register at the pro shop.  
  
**Outdoor Recreation**  
Swim lesson registration is underway at equipment rental, Building 914 with lessons at the Crestview pool. Classes will be held June 7 - 17, June 21 - July 1, July 5 - 15 and July 19 - 29. Cost for "Mommy & Me" toddler class (ages 2 and 3) is \$30 per child. For beginner, intermediate and advanced classes (ages 4 - 13) the cost is \$40 per child. All fees are due at time of registration.  
  
Outdoor recreation is taking reservations for private swim parties at officers' club and enlisted club pools. For more information, call 926-4001.

**Smith Community Center**  
The America's Armed Forces Kids Fun Run will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday on the track across from the fitness center. The first 100 kids to complete the run will receive a T-shirt. To register go online to americas kidsrun.org. For more information, call the community center at 926-2105.

Base Chapel annex. For reservations, call 327-8480 .  
  
**Sponsorship training**  
The FSC will offer training for beginner and experienced sponsors Thursday, 1 - 2:30 p.m., Building 945, FSC annex.

**Financial workshop**  
The Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Middle Georgia, a nonprofit organization funded by the United Way, will conduct a free "Money and Credit Management" workshop, open to all Team Robins members, May 27, 1 - 4 p.m., Building 905, Room 127. A comprehensive workbook is provided to all attendees. Information on credit management, debt reduction and consumer rights will be presented.





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Mitchell Sinyard, aircraft sheet metal mechanic, takes a break from working on a C-5. He ran the Boston Marathon earlier this year.

# Aircraft sheet metal mechanic takes on Boston Marathon

By Lisa Mathews

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Just like the Energizer Bunny, when Mitchell Sinyard gets started, he keeps on running and running. On the third Monday of April the aircraft sheet metal mechanic from the 402nd Aircraft Maintenance Group proved his staying power when he completed the Boston Marathon. He ran the 26-mile, 385-yard course in 3 hours, 34 minutes and 15 seconds.

“It’s something I’ve always wanted to do since I began running 14 years ago,” Mr. Sinyard said. “When I started running I’d see people with Boston (marathon) jackets, and they were usually some of the best runners and the fastest.”

His desire to participate in the famous marathon led him to do research on what is required of participants.

“I found out you had to qualify for it; not just everyone can enter. I did my first marathon nine years ago, and I wasn’t fast enough,” he said. “I kept trying, and last year I got a qualifying time. I registered this year and went and did (the marathon) on April 18.”

## Training for the run

Mr. Sinyard ran in many races prior to qualifying for the Boston Marathon. He knew that he needed to build up his endurance for distance rather than concentrate on speed.

“Where usually I will run three to eight miles, when I start preparing for a marathon, I’ll run 10-, 15- 20-mile runs,” he said. “Most of the races I do are on Saturdays. I try to do my long run on Sunday and Monday. The day or two before a race, I try to do shorter distances so I can rest a little,” he added.



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Mitchell Sinyard stands at the starting point of the Boston Marathon.

## The big day

Mr. Sinyard arrived in Boston the Friday before the Monday run. He said he was surprised to meet several people from Middle Georgia, some of whom he had met at previous races and marathons he has completed.

When the big day arrived, Mr. Sinyard was amazed at the crowds lining the course.

“Of all the races I’ve done before, I’ve never been around a crowd that was that supportive,” he said. “They were all cheering you on and handing you things like oranges to eat along the way.”

He described the course as beginning on a downhill path, and about 16 miles into the run there’s a steep - about 1 ½-mile - incline. The next few miles were more level and then a few miles of uphill and downhill running.

“The last mile or so is downhill,” he said.

Once the run was complete, Mr. Sinyard said he was feeling a little bad.

“I don’t think I drank enough. They gave us some water after the race, but it was

## Marathon history

The marathon distance was changed from 24.8 miles as a result of the 1908 Olympic Games in London. That year, King Edward VII and Queen Alexandria wanted the marathon race to begin at Windsor Castle outside the city so that the Royal family could view the start. The distance between the castle and the Olympic Stadium in London proved to be 26 miles. Organizers added extra yards to the finish around a track, 385 to be exact, so the runners would finish in front of the king and queen's royal box. Every Olympic marathon run since the 1908 Games has been a distance of 26 miles, 385 yards.

Source: [www.bostonmarathon.org](http://www.bostonmarathon.org)

hot and I couldn’t drink that hot water.

“I had to catch a train to where I was staying. At the train station they had some real cold Coca Colas. After I drank that Coca Cola I started feeling better,” Mr. Sinyard said, laughing at the memory.



# New Pine Oaks employees work hard, so Robins can play hard

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The Pine Oaks Golf Course recently landed two new employees who plan to work hard so golfers at Robins can play hard.

John Wilkes, superintendent for the Pine Oaks Golf Course, and Mike Holovach, Beverage and Food Services manager for the golf course, recently came on board as part of the staff’s on-going efforts to make the golf club a better place to be.

Mr. Wilkes, who manages a 12-person staff responsible for maintaining the 275-acre golf course, said the job of caring for such a large course isn’t easy - but having an outstanding staff makes it manageable.

“Everything about this course is my job,” he said. “It’s everything from chemical applications on the greens to making sure (my staff) is in the right place at the right time. Everything has to look right; everything has to putt right.”

To ensure facilities stay on course toward golfing success, the 32-year-old Middle Georgia native, who has previously served as superintendent at golf courses, such as Barrington Hall and the Landings, keeps his staff of laborers, irrigation technicians, mechanics and motor vehicle operators on their toes, with training on the latest technologies and skills to do the job of manicuring the grounds just right.

“I think what drew me to this job was the opportunity to work outdoors and be (among) nature,” he said. “I came to Pine Oaks because it has a lot of potential....We



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John Wilkes, above, superintendent for the Pine Oaks Golf Course, and Mike Holovach, below, Beverage and Food Services manager for the golf course, recently came on board as part of the staff’s on-going commitment to improving the club.



want to be the premiere facility in Middle Georgia – and I’d like the opportunity to take it to that next level.”

When golfers putting toward a hole-in-one work up a healthy appetite, Mr. Holovach, a 38-year-old certified chef, is on-hand to satisfy their hunger.

“I want to get back to the way things used to be where you went through the line and in a matter of minutes, you could eat and go,” he said. “It’s all about getting good food fast.”

The Art Institute honor graduate, who served the Clintons and famous musicians like Ziggy Marley at the 1996 Olympics, plans to help people at Robins get the most out of a quick lunch through a variety of options on the restaurant’s buffet, hamburger grill, specialty items, and themed meal choices throughout the week, beginning as early as June.

“A lot of people don’t get a lot of time for lunch,” he said. “They get 30 minutes and don’t have time to wait. We’re trying to provide a quicker service, so people can get quality food faster.”

John Anderson, Pine Oaks Golf Course manager, said having the two professionals on staff will help the golf course reach its goal of becoming the best in the area.

“I feel like my team is complete right now,” he said. “Everybody has their assigned jobs, and everybody has the knowledge to do these jobs. So, as a team, we should be able to work together for the good of the facility.”

## What to know

Pine Oaks Golf Course is open to military, retired military and civilians. Course hours are from 7 a.m. - dusk. For more information, call 926-4103.

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## They are the champions



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The 5th Combat Communications Group won the pre-season Softball Tournament, defeating 330th Combat Training Squadron, 18 to 11 in extra innings. Twenty-four teams competed in the tournament. The regular season started this week.



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The 78th Comptroller Squadron won the intramural soccer championship, defeating the 5th Combat Communications Group, 5-4 in the final of the 6-a-side soccer league. Second Lt. Odi Diambra was named most valuable player for the tournament by scoring three goals in the final game. This was the first year for intramural soccer at Robins and 12 teams participated.



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Fourteen league teams participated in a pre-season tournament, and league play followed by a post-season tournament. The 542nd Electronic Warfare Sustainment Group volleyball team won the 2005 post-season tournament against 542nd Combat Sustainment Wing. From left, back row, are John D. Gates, 2nd Lt. Bryant Callahan, Brian Dumford, David Schuler and Maj. Sam Simpliciano. From left, front row, are Paul Cave and Marlene Rogers.

### The delicious dish

## Calling all gourmands, the Rev-Up wants your recipes

Have you ever looked in your refrigerator or cabinets and wondered what in the world you’re going to eat?

In an effort to help families who are wrestling with the question, “what’s for dinner tonight?” or anyone who wants to add a little variety at the dinner table, the Robins Rev-Up will periodically share recipes submitted by its readers.

All recipes must include the recipe’s name, ingredients, cooking directions, servings per recipe, submitter’s name, title and contact information.

E-mail recipes to [holly.birchfield@robins.af.mil](mailto:holly.birchfield@robins.af.mil).

Publication of submitted recipes is at the discretion of the Robins Rev-Up. For more information, contact us at 926-2137.

### Pina Colada Cake

- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 1 can cream of coconut
- 1 large can crushed pineapple (in its own juice)
- 1 small can crushed pineapple (in its own juice)
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 small jar maraschino cherries
- 1 small can pineapple rings

Bake cake according to package directions in a 9"X13" pan. Mix together next four ingredients including juice from crushed pineapple and set aside. As soon as cake comes out of the oven pour pineapple/coconut mixture over cake. Lift sides of cake with spatula to allow mixture to get under cake. Garnish with pineapple rings and cherries.

Servings: 8

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Museum welcomes home F-106



U.S. Air Force photos by Sue Sapp

The Museum of Aviation welcomed home the Convair F-106A May 12, after a 10-month restoration period at Robins. The F-106 underwent three restoration stages under the guidance of the museum restoration crew, the 116th Air Control Wing and the 653rd Combat Logistics Support Squadron. The aircraft served with the 318th and 48th Fighter Interceptor Squadrons during its service career before being retired in 1982. It was moved to the museum for display in 1992.



Top, the aircraft travels from the Aero Club to the off-ramp toward Gate 14. Above, retired Tech. Sgt. Marvin Bessinger watches as the aircraft is being moved. He performed ground maintenance on the F-106 during his time in service.

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